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AMENDMENT

Director of the United States Patent
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2004, issued by the Examiner in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Action was originally due June 24, 2004. A petition and fee for a one month extension of time extending the due date to July 24, 2004 accompany this Amendment. Because July 24, 2004 falls on a Saturday, a response filed Monday, July 26, 2004 is considered timely.

Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.